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PREFACE

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Titles and letter designators for the various facilities are as follows: (A) railroad service, (B) road service, (C) landing strips, (D) administrative and troop housing areas, (E) storage areas, (F) ammunition storage areas, (G) POL storage areas, (H) other buildings and facilities, (J) equipment storage/maintenance areas, (K) athletic fields, (L) small arms firing ranges, (M) driver training areas, (N) tank/assault gun firing ranges, (P) flat trajectory firing ranges, (Q) artillery emplacements (batteries), (R) infantry or combined arms field training areas or courses, (S) special training facilities, (T) unidentified facilities or tracking activity.

Handle Via TALENT-KEYHOLE Control System Only NAKHICHEVAN ARMY TRAINING AREA WEST (39-15N 045-21E)

NAKHICHEVAN, AZERBAYDZHAN SSR, USSR

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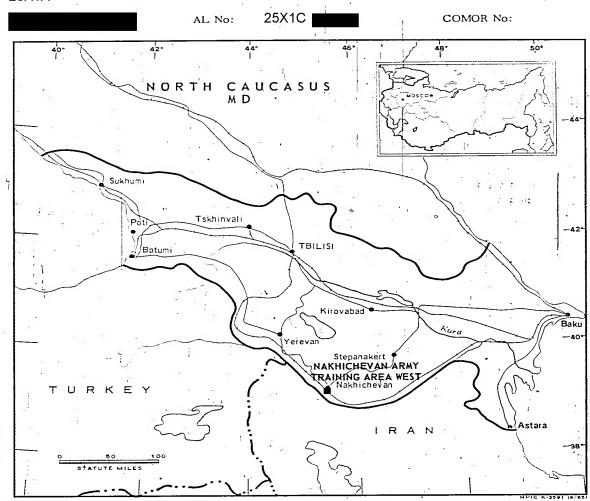


FIGURE 1. LOCATION OF NAKHICHEVAN ARMY TRAINING AREA WEST.

SUMMARY

Nakhichevan Army Training Area West is located immediately northwest of Nakhichevan Army Barracks North (Figure 1) and covers approximately 135 square miles.

The training facility which supports 2 military installations in Nakhichevan contains 5 tank/self-propelled gun ranges, 5 infantry/maneuver areas, a flat-trajectory range, a small-arms range, four 6-gun unoccupied AAA positions, ten 6-gun FA emplacements, one 4-gun

FA emplacement, approximately 17 additional FA emplacements, a driver-training course, approximately 115 tent bases, and 17 support buildings (Figure 2).

One TALENT and KEYHOLE missions have covered this area since the area contained only the flat-trajectory range and scattered weapon emplacements and trenches. All other facilities were constructed between

DESCRIPTION OF INSTALLATION

Railroad'Service

Rail service is available in the southern part of Nakhichevan.

Road Service

There are good secondary roads in the installation.

Administration and Troop Housing Areas

Area D1 contains 9 support buildings and 15 large tent bases.

Area D2 contains 7 support buildings and 25 large tent bases.

Area D3 contains approximately 25 probable tent bases and a support building.

Area D4 contains approximately 50 tent bases.

General Storage Area

Area E contains a long storage shed and 5 warehouses.

Small-Arms Firing Range

Area L is a small-arms firing range in which the firing is done from trenches and from other positions.

Driver-Training Area

Area M is an irregularly shaped trackedand wheeled-vehicle driver training course which contains 2 support buildings, numerous obstacles, and vehicle revetments.

Tank/Assault-Gun Firing Ranges

Areas N1 through N4 are tank/assault-gun firing ranges. N1 is 3,000 feet in length and has two 1,400-foot lanes, 5 moving targets and 2 support buildings. It is also used for flat-trajectory firing.

N2 is 4,500 feet in length and has three 2,500-foot lanes and 7 moving targets.

N3 is 4,500 feet in length and has three 2,600-foot lanes and 4 moving targets. It is also used for flat-trajectory firing.

N4 is 4,700 feet in length and has three 3,700-foot lanes. The firing is done at fixed targets while moving over obstacles.

Flat-Trajectory Firing Ranges

Area P1 is a 4,300-foot flat-trajectory firing range with approximately 26 moving targets. The range is used for firing automatic weapons from armored personnel carriers. :

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Area P2 is a 4,500 foot flat-trajectory firing range with fixed targets.

Artillery Emplacements (Batteries)

Areas Q1 through Q7 are artillery emplacements.

Q1 is a FA emplacement with approximately 17 firing positions. It is unoccupied and contains reverments for miscellaneous associated equipment (not on graphic).

Q2 is an AAA emplacement with a 6-gun firing position. It is unoccupied and includes additional reverments for associated equipment.

Q3 is an AAA emplacement with a 6-gun position. It is unoccupied and includes additional reverments for associated equagment.

Q4 contains two 6-gun AAA positions and a 4-gun FA position. This area also contains approximately 50 vehicle revetments and scattered personnel positions and trenches.

Q5 is a 6-gun FA position and is unoccupied. Q6 is a 6-gun FA position and is unoccupied. Q7 is a FA emplacement with eight 6-gun positions. It also contains revetments for associated equipment.

TRAINING

Infantry or Combined Arms Field Traning Area or Courses

R1 is an infantry training area containing a trench system.

 $\,$ R2 is an infantry training area containing a trench system and numerous emplacements and positions.

R3 is an infantry training area containing approximately 20 miscellaneous vehicle reverments and personnel positions.

R4 is a fortified infantry training area with numerous vehicle revetments, personnel positions, and trench systems.

R5 is an infantry training area containing numerous personnel trenches, positions, and vehicle trackage.

Unidentified Facilities or Tracking Activity

Area T contains approximately 50 rectangular objects (armored vehicles or tents).

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